GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Commercial Taxes Department – Surprise Check conducted on Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District on 29-12- 2013 – Allegations of Corruption – Initiation of Disciplinary Proceedings against Sri H.D.Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 - Article of Charges – Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.709 **Dated:27-08-2020**

Read the following:

1. From DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.56.DES-NNL/2013, dated 28.01.2016 & 30.06.2016.
2. G.O.Ms.No.238, Revenue (Vig.II) Department, dt.27-08-2020.

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O R D E R :

In continuation of the orders issued under Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 in the reference 2nd read above, it is considered necessary to hold an enquiry against Sri H.D.Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District under Rule 20 of the said rules.

2. The substance of the imputation of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charge (Annexure-I) and the imputation of misconduct or misbehavior in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-III & IV).

3. Sri H.D.Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District is directed to submit within ten days of the receipt of this order a written statement of his defense.

4. He is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.

5. Sri H.D.Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the date specified in para 3 above, further action will be processed based on the material available.

6. Attention of Sri H.D.Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another

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person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

RAJAT BHARGAVA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri H.D.Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore District (w.e, Annexures-I to IV) through the Industries & Commerce (Vigilance) Department, A.P.Secretariat, Velagapudi. (with a request to serve the order on the individual and send the served copy with dated signature to Government)

Copy to

The Industries & Commerce (Vigilance) Department, A.P.Secretariat, Velagapudi.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.

The Director General, Anti Corruption Bureau, Pandit Nehru Bus Station, NTR Administration Block, 2nd Floor, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.

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ANNEXURE – I

ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI H.D. DEVI SINGH, ROYALTY INSPECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY (OUT ING CHECK POST), ICP, B.V.PALEM, TADA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

That Sri H.D. Devi Singh, joined Govt. service on 12-8-2009 as Technical Asst and while working as Royalty Inspector, Mines & Geology Department, ICP, BV Palem, Tada Mandal, committed grave misconduct in as much as being a public servant on duty together with Three Jr. Assistants, two Attenders of Commercial Tax, One Section Officer of Forest Department, One Attender of Animal Husbandry Department and one Supervisor of Agriculture Marketing Committee Department allowed the crew of the vehicles to offer the amounts voluntarily for ignoring their violations while checking the records and the they collected in their collected an amount of Rs.4,520/- on 29.12.2013 in their counters which the usual collections.

Thus, Sri H.D. Devi Singh, Royalty inspector by the above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Govt. Servant and thereby violated Rule 3 (1) (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVOUR IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI H.D. DEVI SINGH, ROYALTY INSPECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY (OUT GOING CHECK POST), ICP, B.V.PALEM, TADA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

That Sri H.D. Devi Singh, Royalty Inspector, Mines 8k Geology (Out Going Check Post), ICP, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal is native of Nandaluru, YSR Kadapa District and he joined in Government Service as Technical Asst. on 12.08.2009 and promoted as Royalty Inspector on 04.08.2012 and working as thus at Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal, Nellore District. His date of birth is on 10.06.1974 and date of retirement on attaining the age of superannuation is 30.06.2034. He is here-in-after referred o as Government Servant.

On credible information that the officers and staff of Integrated Check Post, B.V.Palem, Tada Mandal SPSR Nellore District are indulging in corrupt practices and collecting mamools from the crew of vehicles plying through ICP, B.V.Palem, a surprise check was conducted over transport wing, prohibition and excise wing, commercial taxes incoming and outgoing wings of ICP, B.V.Palem on 29-12-2013 from 00-30 hrs to 03-00 hrs with four teams headed by the DSP, ACB Nellore Range, Nellore in the presence of mediators. The surprise check revealed the following irregularities and violations. The outgoing Commercial Taxes wing officials collecting mamools from crew of vehicles plying through the check post, for ignoring their violations while checking the records and they collected an amount of Rs.4,520/- on 29-12-2013 in their counters which the usual collections and the same was seized in the premises of outgoing Commercial Taxes Wing. Attendance registers/duty registers and personal cash registers and other relevant documents of ICP were seized.

Thus the Government Servant by his above-mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3 (1) (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus the Government Servant has therefore rendered himself liable for departmental action for major penalty for his misconduct.

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ANNEYURE - III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI H.D. DEVI SINGH, ROYALTY INSPECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY (OUT GOING CHECK POST), ICP, B.V.PALEM, TADA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

1. Duty Register (Attendance register) of ICP, B.V.Palem.
2. Personal Cash Register, 2013.
3. Rough sketch of scene of offence, dt: 29.12.2013.
4. Mediators report drafted on 29.12.2013 for the surprise check conducted over the ICP, B.V. Palem, Tada Mandal, SPSR Nellore Dist.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI H.D. DEVI SINGH, ROYALTY INSPECTOR, MINES & GEOLOGY (OUT GOING CHECK POST), ICP, B.V.PALEM, TADA MANDAL, SPSR NELLORE DISTRICT.

1. Sri Bhupathi Venkateswara Rao S/o Bhupathi, Age: 36 Years, Caste: Balija, Opp: Yadava High School, Old Guntur, Guntur District. Profession: Lorry Cleaner, Vehicle No. AP 07 X 5469.
2. Sri Katuri Srinivasa Rao S/o Sambasiva Rao, Age: 22 Years, Caste: Gowda, Kuchinapudi Village, Nizampatnam Mandal, Guntur District, Profession: Lorry Cleaner, Vehicle No. AP 27 TU 2439.
3. Sri Alumula Venkateswarlu S/o Raghu Ramaiah, Age: 35 Years, Caste: Kapu, Gapavaram Village, Nidamarru Mandal, West Godavari District, Profession: Lorry Cleaner, Vehicle No. AP 27 7 8799.
4. Sri Bollepalli. Purnachand, S/o Venkaiah, Age: 36 Years, Deputy Executive Engineer, Irrigation & CAD Department, SE Construction Circle, Ongole, Prakasam District.
5. Sri Thondamalli. Venkata Ramana, S/o Venkataiah, Age: 46 Years, Asst. Executive Engineer, Irrigation & CAD Department, SE Construction Circle, Ongole, Prakasam District.
6. Sri Yelchuri Ramanjaneyulu S/o.Venkateswarlu, Age: 32 Years, O/o SE Construction Circle, Ongole, Prakasam District.
7. Sri Tappetla. Anka Babu, S/o Venkataiah, Age: 30 Years, Jr. Asst. Irrigation & CAD Dept, SE Construction Circle, Ongole, Prakasam Dist.
8. Sri.K.Venkateswarlu, Inspector of Police, ACB, Nellore.
9. Sri.M. Krupanandam, Inspector of Police, ACB, Nellore.
10. Sri. T.V. Srinivasa Rao, Inspector of Police, ACB, Nellore.
11. Sri.J.Bhaskara Rao, Dy.Supdt. of Police, ACB, Nellore.

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